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## The Virginia Bond Decision.

The decision recently rendered by Judge Bond, of the United States Circuit Court, will, if sustained, prove a substantial victory for the holders of Virginia bonds, and one which must be a surprise to those "readjusters" who fancied that the State in its attempted repudiation was securely entrenched behind the recent opinion of the United States Supreme Court. To understand the effect of Judge Bond's decision it is necessary to recall briefly the essential facts of the case.

In 1871 Virginia provided for funding its State debt, mainly incurred before the war, by issuing new bonds for two-thirds of the amount of the old ones. About twenty million dollars of new bonds were issued, and attached to them were interest coupons made receivable for "all taxes, debts, dues and demands due the State." Under this law it was the duty of public treasurers and tax collectors to receive these coupons when tendered in payment of taxes and other claims due the State.

In January, 1882, the General Assembly passed an act which, after reciting that forged and spurious bonds were in existence, prohibited treasurers and collectors from receiving any of the 1871 coupons until their genuineness shall have been established by the holder in a court of law, and in the meantime the taxpayer must pay his taxes in money. If he succeeds in proving to the satisfaction of twelve jurymen that his coupon is not forged he may present it to the collector, who is then required to receive it and refund the amount of the taxes previously paid in cash. To enforce acceptance of his coupon the holder must go through this vexatious, costly and uncertain litigation semi-annually as each coupon matures.

The practical effect of this legislation was repudiation. Its constitutionality was attacked on the ground that it impaired the obligation of the contract made by the State with its creditors in 1871. By a divided bench the United States Supreme Court held the act of 1882 to be constitutional. Justice Field said that he was "bewildered by the decision of the majority," and Justice Harlan used equally strong language in his dissenting opinion. The Court explained that the only thing it decided was that the statute was constitutional, and that "whether the tax collector is bound in law to receive the coupon notwithstanding the legislation which, on its face, prohibits him from doing so" was a question not then before it.

It is this latter question that has been raised before Judge Bond, and he decides it against the State. He holds that a tender of the State coupons for taxes, &c., is a legal tender, and that the treasurer is bound to receive the coupons, or if he refuses to do so no levy can be made on the taxpayer's property for failure to pay his taxes. To the lay mind the distinction between this decision and that of the Supreme Court will appear to be a very fine one. Of course the case will be appealed, and if Judge Bond's decision shall be affirmed its effect must be to defeat the repudiating legislation of last year.—[N. Y. Herald.

**A HINT TO LADIES.**—To give shirts, bosoms, collars and cuffs a glossy appearance a laundress of note gives the following receipt: "Make a gun-arabic powder; put it in a jar or pitcher and pour out a pint of boiling water. Use as much gun-arabic as will make the mangle the strength you desire. No rule can be given, as it varies in tenacity. Cover the jar and let it stand all night. In the morning pour it off carefully to separate it from the dregs and pour it in a clean bottle for use. A tablespoonful stirred into starch after it has been made in the usual manner will impart the glossiness so much admired on city laundered collars, cuffs and bosoms, provided the ironer polishes the articles well with a polishing iron."

**STREET TALK.**—"How much better you look, Mrs. S." "Yes, I have gained 32 pounds on Hall's Catarrh Cure. Have not felt so well in 20 years. It has made a complete cure and is worth \$50 a bottle to any one that has the catarrh."

## Mary Anderson Declines an Introduction to His Royal Highness.

A gentleman who returned home from London last week says Mary Anderson has had a more cordial reception there than has been given to an American actress for many years. He also tells a story, which, if correct, cannot fail to increase the respect of the American public for Miss Anderson. It seems that upon her arrival she was invited to some of the best houses in London, and stories were told of her beauty and wit that made the Prince of Wales very anxious to meet her. Miss Anderson was informed of this flattering expression of his Royal Highness, but, most unaccountably, as it seemed to her English friends, she showed no desire for the presentation. Finally, a gentleman who knew her very well was asked by the Prince to say to Mary Anderson that he would be pleased if she would indicate a time when it would be agreeable to her to receive an introduction to his Royal Highness. She replied that while she wished to show no disrespect to the future ruler of England, she must decline to receive him. Such a reply had never before been made to a request for an introduction by a Prince of the blood, and she was asked to explain.

"An introduction to the Prince of Wales," she pluckily answered, "can do me no good professionally, and I know very well how he regards actresses generally. Personally, I have always maintained my own dignity and self-respect, and I do not mean to put myself in any position voluntarily where I may be compelled to forget them. Therefore, I must decline to be presented to him. I have gone this far in life without a breath of scandal attaching to me, and I do not mean now to do anything that might change that condition."

This settled the matter. The story got out in London and was widely repeated, and it was noticeable that after that the Princess of Wales invited Miss Anderson to her garden party, an honor that she has never before conferred on any actress on the English stage. It is a pity some of the American girls who are getting themselves very much talked about in connection with the Prince of Wales could not follow Miss Anderson's example.—[Washington Herald.

The amounts paid into the United States Treasury as conscience money since 1861 aggregate \$186,450 01. A Treasury officer says that the payments are made in every conceivable way—by means of registered letters, signed with fictitious names, by various forms of commercial paper, and through the private and pastors of the conscience-stricken persons. They almost invariably take great pains to conceal their identity, though a few boldly write of the circumstances of their becoming indebted to the Government. Not long ago a letter accompanied by money was received at the department in which the sender wrote that the money was due the Government as duty on goods that were passed with a lot of others by a customs officer who was bribed by an unscrupulous member of the party. The largest revenue in any year since 1861 through contributions to the conscience fund was in 1863, when the amount was \$29,155.11. In 1873 the amount \$23,302.77; in 1878, \$12,011.33; in 1882, only \$7,888.49; and it is estimated that this year it will be still less. This decrease may indicate that there is less opportunity or inclination to steal from the Government, or that men are becoming less sensitive to the prickings of conscience.

**A NEW INVISIBLE INK.**—A new invisible ink has been introduced by Dr. Widemann. It is made by intimately mixing linseed oil one part, water of ammonia twenty parts, and water one hundred parts. The mixture must be agitated each time the pen is dipped into it, as a little of the oil may separate and float on the surface, from which, if taken up by the pen, a stain would be left upon the paper. To make the writing appear, all that is needed is to dip the manuscript in water; when the paper dries the writing will vanish.

When a man's wife comes in and sees him, razor in hand, with his face all in a lather, and asks him, "Are you shaving?" it is a provoking thing in him to answer, "No, I'm blacking the stove," but his human nature so to reply.

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## The Miseries of a Mean Man.

Sometimes I wonder what a mean man thinks about when he goes to bed. When he turns out the light and lies down. When the darkness closes in about him and he is alone, and compelled to be honest with himself. And not a bright thought, not a generous impulse, not a manly act, not a word of blessing, not a grateful look, comes to bless him again. Not a penny dropped into the outstretched palm of poverty, not the help of a loving word dropped into an aching heart, no sunbeam of encouragement cast upon a struggling life; the strong right hand of fellowship reached out to help some fallen man to his feet—when none of these things come to him as the "God bless you" of the departed day, how he must hate himself. How he must try to roll away from himself and sleep on the other side of the bed. When the only victory he can think of is some mean victory, in which he has wronged a neighbor. No wonder he always aches when he tries to smile. How pure and fair and good all the rest of the world must look to him, and how cheerless and dreary must his own path appear. Why, even one lone, isolated act of meanness is enough to cast a shadow over the whole of his life. A man who is mean in the world anyhow, why should you add one pound of wickedness or sadness to the general burden? Don't be mean, my boy. Suffer justice a thousand times rather than commit it once.—[Burdette.

## A Hint to the Evolutionists.

The lobster has some ways in which he is far superior to man. If a man has to lose a leg or an arm it is gone forever. But where he is so unlucky, the lobster thrives starts another at once and only suffers a temporary disability. There is matter for profound reflection here. The order of articulation all have this faculty and it is a pity to lose it as one goes higher up in the scale. Natural selection ought always to retain the desirable habits of whatever stages it passes through, and we ought to have a reformation in this respect. How charming a thing it would be for a war-like race, such as the Anglo-Saxon is, if we could sprout another member for one that a cannon ball or piece of shell has carried away. Evolutionists who have had the real good of the race at heart, ought to turn their attention to this, find the spot where in the rising scale this habit was lost, and go back to that. Rising and hurrying generations would surely bless them for the discovery.—[Hartford Post.

## Too Particular.

"No, I have not insured any more life insurance companies," he replied. "Why not?" "And, day was too particular, my friend." "How do you mean?" "Well, ven I was on Shattam street I saw two tons and a dollar. My brother and I was right across der street in der same peeces, but be carry none. One might be turned out, and I don't. I tell der company to gif Moses a bit more, but my two tons explain dot ve was in der same peeces, and all in der same family, but not a dollar would der company gif. Poor fellow! He had to go to a junk shop in Nashville and buy on der tree times before he comes back with capital to go in der clothing business again.—[Wall Street News.

A Boston engineer has been turning his attention to the power going to waste in the Niagara river. He estimates that a motor could be submerged in the river that would furnish half a million horse power—sufficient to run all the machinery in Buffalo and pump all the city's water. His plan is to place a giant iron wheel in the river perpendicularly, so that it shall be turned by the current. The power be taken from the shaft of the wheel by either belts or gears, or would be sent through electric cables.

There is a man, William Fulkner by name, who furnishes a peculiar striking instance of a reformatory conscience. Twenty years ago under great provocation he shot and killed a ruffian. He was immediately acquitted on the ground of justifiable homicide. Yet ever since that time he is the victim of remorse and finds it impossible to sleep after 3 A. M. At that hour he is usually driven from his room. As there is no other open so early, he has made it a practice to pass his time in the prison of a daily morning paper, where he is always looked for at exactly 3:15 A. M.

## Taste Not.

There is a custom, more or less prevalent in Midway and other small towns concerning which we wish, in the language of Artemus Ward, "to remark a few remarks"—we desire to fire and fall back, so to speak. We refer to that small practice which some people have of "tasting" things in the groceries, confectioneries, or where ever else their "taster" can be used without drawing upon their pocket books. This is a mean form of depredation on the merchants which seems to be such a slight infringement of propriety coming without a customer and friend that there is an enforced silence on the part of the merchant, while the depredator selfishly satisfies the cravings of his stomach. No matter what a man's personal friendship or business relations may be with a merchant he is not justifiable in appropriating to his own use goods offered for sale. When a person steps behind a counter, and takes a few pieces of candy, or an apple, or a handful of peanuts, small things in themselves—he is mistaken if he thinks the proprietor regards it as a privilege of a customer or the prerogative of friendship. A friend generally has the privilege of choosing the recipient of his favors, and if a customer expects to go out side of his purchases to get the worth of his money he should invest where the goods bought alone are a return for his expenditure.—[Midway Clipper.

**THE MOTHER IN LAW.**—Of all the stupid conventionalities of alleged humor, the coarse jests that are hurled at the head of the unoffending mother-in-law are the meanest and most to be despised. There is no fun about them. Just look for a moment at the great debt a man owes a mother in law. If it had not been for her, where would his wife, the apple of his eye and the comfort of his heart, have been found? If it had not been for her shrewd management and tact in bringing up the girl, she wouldn't have been worth marrying. If it had not been for her kindly watchfulness the first few days of his house-keeping he would have starved to death. If it had not been for her babies would have been short one grandmother.—[Hartford Post.

**GETTING EVEN WITH MRS. BROWN.**—Two ladies tete-a-tete: "That Mrs. Brown is just as mean as she can be. Why, would you believe it, she told me right to my face that I dressed too young for a woman of my years! The devil!" "She did? Well, if she'd talk to me in that way I believe I'd have told her just what I thought of her." "Oh, no, dear; that would be rude." "Possibly." "But I did better." I told Mrs. Smith what my opinion of Mrs. Brown was, and Mrs. Brown will hear it soon enough. And then, you know, it won't lose anything in Mrs. Smith's mouth. It is one of my principles, love, never to do any thing disagreeable when I can get somebody else to do it for me."

A certain young man was called on to make a speech at the opening of a public bridge. Being the son of a Congressman, it was presumed that he was something of an orator, but the presumption did not hold good. However, the young man got up and began: Ladies and Gentlemen: Forty years ago, where this majestic structure now stands, was a howling wilderness! Forty years ago, ladies and gentlemen, where this majestic structure now stands, was a howling wilderness—and I wish God it was so now!"

A fellow working in a Maine factory where young women are employed contrived a practical joke for the entertainment of himself and his admirers. He killed an adder and left it among some boxes that were to be assorted by the young women. Miss Stevens uncovered the reptile with her hands. The shock made her insane, and the physicians say that she will probably die, and in any event will be a maniac for life.

The splendor of American forests, in the many hues of their ripened foliage, is finest in autumn than are cool, with plenty of moisture, but no frost. It is a mistaken notion that frost paints with its cold fingers the myriad leaves. First fades out the colors, and makes the foliage withered, dry and brown, and causes it soon to drop to the ground.

W. C. Merriman, Louisville, says: "I have used Brown's Iron Pills and find it all that is claimed. It has greatly improved my health."

## The Old Hat

When this old hat was new, the railroad was a stage, and a six-mile team made plenty of steam, for the broadest kind of gauge. You caught a goose when you wanted a pen, the ink you used was blue; and the women you loved didn't want to be men, when this old hat was new. A spade was only a spade, and Jennie was just plain "Jennie," for his impatient lip a boy would skip at the end of a rattan cane. There were sixteen ounces in every pound, four quarts made a gallon true, but things don't seem what they used to be, when this old hat was new.

## THE NEW.

But we've shortened the time since then, and we're running a faster heat, and the boys of twelve are full-blown men, who run the store and the street. We blush to giggle, and we should smile; we're cute and we never say die; we're up to snuff, and we're full of guile; and we're just too awfully fly, and father is governor, old man, dad and his old day is gone, we run things fast and a little bad, since we put the new hat on.

## Commodore Vanderbilt.

This is a story about the Vanderbilt family. They were sitting on a hotel piazza at Saratoga, when a somewhat overdressed lady approached and claimed his acquaintance. The Commodore rose and talked affably with her, while his wife and daughter sniffed the air with scorn. "Father," said the young lady, as the Commodore resumed his seat, "didn't you remember that vulgar Mrs. B. as the woman who used to sell poultry to us at home?" "Certainly," responded the old gentleman, promptly, "and I remember your mother when she used to sell root beer at three cents a glass over in Jersey when I went up there from Staten Island peddling oysters in my boat."

This curious statement appeared in the New York Sun of Sept. 3, 1883: "A boy in Vermont, accustomed to working alone, was so prone to whistling, that, as soon as he was by himself, he unconsciously commenced. When asleep, the muscles of his mouth, chest and lungs were so completely concatenated in the association, he whistled with astonishing shrillness. A pale countenance, loss of appetite and almost total prostration of strength, convinced his mother it would end in death, if not speedily overcome, which was accomplished by placing him in the society of another boy, who had orders to give him a blow as soon as he began to whistle."

**KING WATERMELON.**—The watermelon looms up with almost kingly pride. The very prevalent idea that it is an unwholesome fruit has been dissipated. Physicians not only eat it freely, but prescribe it to their patients. Eaten freely, it is an almost certain cure for dysentery and diarrhoea. Its effects on the kidneys are wholesome, and as an allayer of thirst it is better than ice-water.—[Philadelphia Star.

In a series of tables giving the average expectation of life at different ages, Dr. Fair not only accepts one hundred years as a recorded age, but says that the average duration of life after passing that age is, in woman, one year, nine months, and three days, and in men about one month less.

A Maryland farmer and wife several years ago gave a penniless stranger a night's lodging and continued their hospitality for several months. He suddenly received a cable message and left them. Now they have received a check for \$10,000.

On Monday last the New York Sun completed its fiftieth year. In addition to giving an interesting history of its marvelous growth and wonderful prosperity, it sent to its patrons a fac-simile of its first issue in 1833.

Mrs. Alexander Campbell, the widow of the founder of the Campbellite or Christian church is dying; in West Virginia. The venerable lady is eighty years of age.

There are three negroes in the Georgia House of Representatives.

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The political situation is far from being lovely in the doubtful state of Ohio. Howley has gotten sick and apparently given up the canvass, while in Hamilton county two alleged democratic tickets are out to divide the vote that can hardly be depended upon when there is only one before the people. The *New Journal*, a dyed-in-the-wool democratic paper, is making open war on the *Enquirer*, a pretended democratic sheet, referring to its editor, McLean, as a "naughty little rascal," while the latter is doing all he can in an underhanded manner to remove the former from the sphere of existence, by cutting into its business. It has also said that Senator Pendleton must go and that end it is bending its entire energies and influence. Could his defeat be accomplished in no other way than by the election of a republican legislature, McLean is the manner of man that would not hesitate to sacrifice his party to gratify a private malice. Two months ago the democratic outlook in Ohio was bright indeed, but "booses" whose ambition is to rule or ruin, have darkened the prospect and made republican victory an almost assured fact.

According to the tellers only 169,173 persons were entitled to vote at the last election, yet 222,796 stepped up to the polls and recorded their choice in the gubernatorial race. These tellers were appointed under a law passed by the last legislature, to aid the carrying of the call for a Constitutional Convention, by reporting the actual number of those entitled to vote, instead of taking the number from the assessor's books. But even that scheme failed and the necessary majority was again denied, as only 73,704 votes were cast for the call. It takes six years after the call is first carried to secure a new Constitution, provided every step is favorable, so it must now be 1891 before we give up the old one even if the call is carried in 1885. We are not an advocate of revolution as a general thing, but we are of the opinion that if we ever get a new Constitution it will not be in the manner prescribed by the old one.

The *New York Sun*, which asserts that it speaks on the authority of the gentleman himself, says in reply to the apparent growing demand for the old ticket: "Mr. Tilden will not be a candidate, and a candidate must be found. There is no man within our knowledge who possesses the qualifications that belong to him. There is no man who commands the public confidence as he does. There is no man whose name would put aside so many minor controversies within the party on the one hand, or command such widespread and hearty confidence from the people at large on the other. But, while this is so, it seems to us a mistake to persist in advocating his nomination when we know that his consent cannot be obtained."

The State Educational Convention is to be held in Louisville on the 19th inst. Judge W. M. Beckner, Chairman of the Educational State Central Committee, writes that "It will be attended by delegations from many of the States and leading workers in the cause of education have promised to be present. A large attendance from Kentucky is desired, and the Exposition rates on the railroads enable all to go. Several important questions will be discussed and it is hoped that each town and county in the State will be represented."

The *Post* which never sees any good thing in Mr. Watterson, charges that his fight against Raudel, is because he was snubbed by that gentleman. It says "that when Watterson recently sought an interview with Mr. Randall the latter refused to recognize him even as an acquaintance, and his bitter babbling since has been the helpless rage of a snubbed Ishmaelite who remains at that distance which the economy of nature has placed between certain grades of beings, and throws mud at his superiors. If Mr. Carliole is a wise man he will either suppress or repudiate his mouthpiece."

The *Covington Commonwealth* thinks that Gov. Knott is a man of fine discernment, because he gave two of his important appointments to newspaper men. It shows, it thinks, that he knows where to look for integrity, ability and honesty. Col. McCarty and Judge Kincaid will represent the press with general satisfaction to the profession as well as to the people in general.

A CINCINNATI paper facetiously remarks: "The time of holding the next annual reunion of the Society of Pardoned Kentucky Convicts has not yet been announced."

## NOTES OF CURRENT EVENTS.

—At Manfordsville, Ky., the pork-house of F. A. Smith and the freight depot of the E. & N. were burned.

—The Breckenridge News maliciously suggests the appointment of Dr. Blackburn as keeper of the penitentiary.

—Hugh J. Hastings, proprietor of the N. Y. Commercial Advertiser, died at Menmouth Beach, N. J., Wednesday night.

—John Koker and Dr. Flood, friends of the Arkansas outlaws, were taken from the Danville Jail by a party of vigilantes and hanged.

—The protracted drought in Virginia was brought to an end Tuesday by heavy rains, but it is feared they have come too late to save the corn.

—Mr. Blaine predicts that if Butler is again made Governor of Massachusetts he will be nominated for the Presidency by the democrats and elected.

—Gov. Knott has set Friday, October 12, as the day for the hanging of Ellis Craft, condemned for the outrage and burning of the Gibbons children at Ashland.

—The Spectator says that Rudolph and Champ Fitzpatrick were convicted and sentenced to death in the Adair Circuit Court this week, for the murder of Mullin Brewster.

—The National Cotton Exchange makes the official statement that the crop of 1883 numbered 9,941,756 bales. The increase over the crop of last year is 1,439,708 bales.

—In twenty-nine of the one hundred and thirty Counties of the United States the expense of collection exceeds the receipts. In Atlanta every dollar collected costs the Government \$50.84.

—State Senator H. J. Redfield, of Monroe, Mich., committed suicide on his lot in the cemetery. In a note found upon his person he said he was going to die on the only piece of ground in the world that he owned.

—The total tax valuation of the State for 1883 is \$374,380,098, an increase of \$11,067,650 over last year. This does not include the railroads or the joint stock companies and corporations which report directly to the Auditor.

—President Arthur has issued his proclamation, in accordance with the act of Congress, declaring that the World's Industrial and Cotton Centennial Exposition will be opened the 1st Monday in December, 1884, at the city of New Orleans.

—While Firman Lambert was returning from church with his sweetheart a jealous rival, named Sigler, struck him in the back of the head with a bowlder and killed him. All this occurred in Ohio, and in a town with the suggestive name of Gore.

—The Kentucky Union Railway advertises the first six miles of its road beginning near Hedges' Station on the C. & O. R. R. to be let on the 24th inst. Plans, specifications, profiles, etc., can be seen at the office of the Chief Engineer, Wm. McCarty, Hedges, Ky.

—The earnings of the Western Union Telegraph Company for the fiscal year just closed exceeded by \$2,340,737 those of the previous year. The company has a surplus of \$3,732,086. C. C. Baldwin, President of the Louisville & Nashville, has been elected to the Directory.

—An incendiary set fire to the stables of the Lexington Street-railway Company Tuesday night and it was, with its contents, entirely destroyed. Forty-five mules perished in the flames. Fifteen street cars, besides a great deal of provender, were also destroyed. Loss \$40,000, and pretty well insured.

—H. H. Brinkley has bought the Ingram house, and will take possession Jan. 1st, 1884, and will erect a \$15,000 hotel on the site of the present building. He proposes to have a first-class hotel with all modern improvements. Mr. Brinkley is the wealthiest man in the county which insures success to the enterprise. (Somerset Reporter.)

## LINCOLN COUNTY.

## Highland.

—H. P. Young bought 1 cow of W. R. Cook, for \$32.65.

—John Young, Jr., has built a house near J. Ballard's shop.

—Revs. Bontz, Cook and Godbey, are attending the Annual Conference of the M. E. Church at Barboursville.

—J. Butt & Co. lost about \$400 by their mill burning last week. A part of M. D. Robinson's mill was burned the same night. His loss is small.

—The Union Bethel Sunday School recently organized at Reed's school-house, is progressing finely. J. J. Curtis, Sup't., C. H. Baker, Asst. Sup't., John Long, H. E. Eason, Miss — Curtis and Miss M. E. Young, teachers.

—Mrs. Rev. E. E. Bonta, of Harrodsburg, is visiting friends at this place, during her husband's absence. Auld Bagh and family moved from this place to Stanford Junction last week. H. F. Horton has returned from a visit to his father's. Shelton Hines, of Science Hill, was visiting at H. B. Young's, Sunday. Mrs. Rice, nee Miss Anna Robinson, is visiting at her father's.

## GEORGE F. SARTAIN.

He Dies in Texas, Longing to Return to His Native Kentucky.

Editor Interior Journal:

It might interest many of the old citizens of Central Kentucky, to know what had become of Geo. F. Sartain, who has for the last 25 or 30 years been missing from among them—his whereabouts being known only, perhaps, by a few of his confidential friends and relatives. I am fully assured that he is no more. I have known that he was in Texas nearly ever since 1 have been here, but I was an admirer of his genius and eloquence when I was a boy, and did not wish to put the "myrmidons of the law" upon his trail.

The first writer remembers of Sartain as a public man, he was a 2d Lieutenant in Capt. Johnson Price's cavalry company in the Mexican war; and from reports, he fought gallantly at Buena Vista. Returning loaded with honors, in 1848, he was the emancipation candidate in Garrard county for delegate to amend the Constitution of Kentucky. Being defeated by Capt. Price, he commenced the practice of law in Lancaster, and sometime afterwards married into one of Lincoln county's finest families. Some years afterwards he moved to Somerset to practice his profession. Here he got into a difficulty and committed an act which blasted his life, caused him to be a fugitive from justice, and an exile from the land he loved so well.

Bartain was small and slender, with one eye out and the other of a whitish grey, which gave him a peculiar appearance. He was an eloquent speaker, was friendly and sociable and said to possess generous qualities. But with all these redeemable traits he was afflicted with some weakness; he was inclined to be blood-thirsty, and seemed to possess a mania for using the pistol.

He died on his native State, Kentucky, and said he would give the world if he could return and spend his remaining days and let his body rest beneath her soil.

Lancaster, Texas, Sep. 10, '83. E. T.

## MT. VERNON DEPARTMENT.

## Managed by John B. Fish.

—Everybody up here is glad that you have secured Col. Sam M. Burdett as your Lancaster correspondent. We all hope that his attachment will be as permanent as his labors are always attractive.

—A heavy frost fell here last Monday night. A great deal of the corn in this county is rather late and consequently is damaged very greatly. Corn in the upland was not injured so much as on the creek bottoms where there was more moisture.

—Col. D. A. Shanahan has left us. He departed on the 2 o'clock train this morning. A few friends stayed with him until the last. We are all sorry to see him leave us and our parting was a sad one; but alas! the best of friends must part to meet again "When the clouds roll by." The "little fellow" was accompanied by Dr. S. A. McVear.

—An attempt was made to burglarize Walker Newcomb's store last night. The thief tried to bore through the door and unfashion the lock, but failed to find the right place. He bored in all eight holes in the door and in the weather-boarding at the side of the door. He was evidently scared, as he left a brace and bit and crowbar lying on the ground at the side of the house.

—Mrs. M. P. Newcomb and Mrs. John Adams, Sr., have died in the last few days. Perhaps a more lengthy obituary notice will appear in a short time. Mrs. Hattie Fish, wife of Jesse Fish, and daughter of our Circuit Clerk, died this morning about 3 o'clock of consumption. This is the second of his daughters who has died this summer of the same disease. Mrs. Fish was only about 22 years of age and had been married a little over one year.

—Messrs. Stewart & Son have finished their work on K. C. R. R. They have only one little fill to make and can not finish that until the abutment of the bridge is completed. Mr. John Bullock, the bridge contractor, is doing all he can to hurry the work on his contracts and will soon finish the same. Messrs. John and Ashley Owens are putting on the ballast as fast as the road is graded for them. There is now about 10 miles of the road completed and ready for the track in this county.

—Wm. M. Weber is visiting relatives in New York State. James Maret has returned from the cities. He has bought another engine for his factory at this place. Miss May Adams has gone to Bell Seminary at Danville. Geo. C. Fish is attending the Kentucky University at Lexington. Miss Mollie Brooks, of Crab Orchard, was visiting relatives at this place during the week. Miss Lou Joplin is visiting her sister, Mrs. Helen Brooks, at Paris, Ky. Dr. W. P. McKee is in Louisville this week.

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## GARRARD COUNTY DEPARTMENT.

## Lancaster.

—FOR SALE OR RENT.—A very desirable cottage residence in Lancaster. Apply to Mrs. W. A. Burnside.

—Mr. Wm. Berkele, representative-elect from this county to the Legislature, has advertised his farm and all his property in Garrard county, for sale.

—Our people expected great things of the K. C. R. R. After trying it for two months they conclude that it is an intolerable humbug and nuisance.

—On Wednesday the dwelling house, with all its contents, of Mr. Geo. T. Higginbotham, sheriff of this county, near Paint Lick, was destroyed by fire. Loss, \$5,000. No insurance. The cause of the fire was a defective flue.

—The Directors of the National Bank of Lancaster have elected Mr. John H. Woodcock to the clerkship made vacant by the death of W. A. Burnside. No better selection could have been made. Mr. Woodcock accepts the position temporarily, and will remain permanently if his health will permit.

—Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday the mail trains on the K. C. R. R. were from 4 to 6 hours late each way. Louisville mail gets in now at 9 o'clock at night. It takes four days to send a letter to Stanford and get an answer. The people are thoroughly indignant over the way they are treated, and a petition will be presented to our postmaster for a mail line from here to Stanford. Stages will be put on to carry both mails and passengers.

—Jim Hickman and Clay Gill, two colored hucks, engaged in a shooting affray here last Tuesday. Hickman received a severe, if not mortal wound in the lungs. It seems that Gill accused Hickman of being too thick with his (Gill's) wife, and Hickman, in revenge, shot at Gill, and Gill succeeded in getting in his work as above stated. Both were arrested.

—PERSONAL.—Miss Maria Olds is visiting friends in Richmond. Mrs. M. D. Hughes, wife of our editor, is quite ill. Misses Kate Burdett and Bertie Collier, have gone to North Middletown to attend school. Miss Genia Harkley, of Lexington, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Dr. P. O. Young. Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Curry have returned from Cincinnati. Mr. J. W. Griffin, the popular agent of the Adams Express Company, has been appointed assistant agent of the K. C. R. R. at this place.

—At a meeting of the board of Directors of the National Bank of Lancaster, held on the 8th day of Sept. '83, it was

Resolved, That in the death of W. A. Burnside this institution has lost an efficient and faithful officer, the community a most worthy citizen and his wife a kind and devoted husband. That we tender his stricken wife and relatives our sincere sympathy in their bereavement. That the bank be closed and officers attend the funeral service.

That these proceedings be spread at large on the records of the bank, and a copy be furnished his family by the Secretary.

W. H. KINNAIRD, Cash. and Sec'y. pro tem.

—On Wednesday a case of considerable interest to lawyers, the case of Joseph Benge, by his next friend, vs. Sam. Hiatt's adm'r., was heard before Judge Owens on demurrer to the petition. The latter recited that the plaintiff Jos. Benge is an infant of five years of age; that he is an illegitimate son of Sam. Hiatt, deceased, and that when plaintiff was about three years of age said Sam. Hiatt agreed and contracted with the plaintiff's mother, Jennie Benge, that if she would surrender to him the care, custody and control of plaintiff until he was 21 years of age he would take plaintiff, feed, clothe and educate him, and at his maturity would give him \$1,000 in money and his home farm, valued at \$2,700. In pursuance to this contract said Hiatt took plaintiff and kept him for about 6 months, or until his (Hiatt's) death. It is now sought to recover of the adm'r. the sum of \$3,000 to feed, clothe and educate plaintiff until he is 21 years of age, the \$1,000 promised by Hiatt, and the value of the home farm, the sum of \$2,700. Hill & Alcorn and Welch & Sanfley appear for plaintiff. The defendant's counsel are Judge Wm. McKee Duncan and Messrs. Burdett & Walton. The questions presented by the demurrer were very ably argued by Col. Hill, Judge Sanfley, Judge Duncan and Mr. B. M. Burdett. The Court sustained the demurrer and dismissed the petition. The case will now go to the Court of Appeals.

Paint Lick.

—The ground is so dry that the farmers say it is almost impossible to plow.

—A young man of our town has taken up a notion that he is bound to have a Wigg, although he is not half-headed.

—Mr. J. R. Warren showed us a beet of his own raising that measured twenty-six inches in length and weighed nine pounds. It is reported that we are to lose one of our good looking young men ere many days. A certain young lady not far from Lancaster has completely captivated him and will take him in tow before the leaves begin to fall.

—Two of our young men boarded the 5:36 train on the morning of the 5th, bound for the great Metropolis, but they mistook Cynthians for Cincinnati, and got left. When they got back they didn't tell much about the Exposition.

—Mr. B. D. Boatwright, a bread peddler from Shelby City, made a mash here the other day. While he was in the depot seeing about some goods, his horse got scared and upset his wagon and broke several dozen eggs and mixed them well with his bread. He picked up several loaves of bread but not many eggs.

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